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REMARKS

Claims 1-22 were pending. Claims 2, 9 and 10 have been canceled. Claims 3-7 and 11-19 have been withdrawn. The applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Applicant notes that claims 1 and 20 are amended herein to include the features of claims 2 and 10 to place the claims in condition for allowance. Claim 9 was a duplicate of claim 2 and thus was canceled.

Claims 1, 2, 9 and 20-22 were rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as being anticipated by Yoshihara et al., U.S. Patent No. 6,313,529 (hereinafter "Yoshihara"). The applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn for the following reasons.

As noted, claims 1 and 20 are amended herein to include the features of claims 2 and 10 to place the claims in condition for allowance. Applicant submits that Yoshihara fails to disclose, for example, *inter alia*, the feature that the sensor chip and the circuit chip are sealed by soft material softer than the mold material, and the outside of the soft material is wrapped by the mold material. Applicant submits that since the feature was previously presented in connection with, for example, claim 10, no new issues are raised.

Accordingly, since all of the features are not disclosed in the applied reference, it is respectfully requested that the rejection of claims 1 and 20 be reconsidered and withdrawn. Claims 2, 9, 21 and 22, by virtue of depending from claims 1 and 20, are allowable for at least the reasons set forth herein above. It is respectfully requested therefore that the rejection of claims 2, 9, 21, and 22 be reconsidered and withdrawn.

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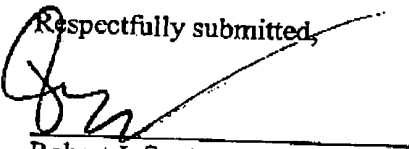
Claim 8 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yoshihara in view of AAPA. The applicant respectfully requests that this rejection be withdrawn for the following reasons.

Claim 8 depends from claim 1 and is allowable for at least the reasons set forth above with regard to claim 1. It is respectfully requested therefore that the rejection of claim 8 be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing, the applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

If there are any problems with the payment of fees, please charge any underpayments and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1147.

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